

Minutes – Music Boosters Meeting, November 9, 2010

David J. Palmer, Alternate Secretary

President Sally Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:05pm in Reservoir High School.

The minutes of previous meeting reviewed and approved by attendees upon a motion, with appropriate second.

Terri Hesse reported that the current checking account balance is \$22,178.37. Ms. Hess reports that she is working on taxes, which are due in November.

Concert Attire:

Sally Kelly reported that the dresses were in, it is a partial order, and that we will need to put in a second order at the end of the week. Ms. Kelly will inventory and cross-reference the dresses, and noted that new parents will have to arrange to have dresses hemmed. Tina Sauer reported on tuxedos, and noted that all boys have been outfitted. There will be a need to buy new tuxedos. Ms. Sauer asks that parents hem but not cut tuxedo pants, as needed. Ms. Kelly added that obtaining the tuxedos was a tremendous effort on Ms. Sauer's part and that of the other volunteers. Ms. Kelly noted that we will need to order new tuxedos and shirts, and that the cost for this will come out of the long term costume budget.

Directors' Comments:

Symphonic Band starts this week.

On December 17, 2010, the Madrigals and another group will go to a luncheon of the Howard County board of Education to provide musical entertainment, and later the Madrigals and a brass quartet will perform holiday carols at Maple Lawn.

The proposed wall safe will cost more than had been originally expected. Ms. Kelly recommends against payment, as the safe will cost \$700.00. It is not known if the \$700.00 includes installation. Robert Dice asked if the Boosters could inquire as to whether the school would be willing to cut a mail slot into a door with a mailbox.

Spring Trip:

This 2011 Spring Trip will be to Chicago, Illinois. The first payment is due next Monday. The per student cost is unknown, but estimated to be \$645 - \$675. Deposits are needed by December 1, 2010.

Fruit Sale:

Sandy Aleksei did not have the full fruit costs yet, but noted \$5,040.00 in sales. She posted a sign up sheet. The second fruit sale will take place in December.

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Poinsettia Sale:

Matt McGhie has order forms. There will be three sizes of poinsettia at a cost of \$12, \$16 and \$21 (6 ½, 7 ½ and 8 inch pots). Delivery costs will depend on the size of the order. Last year we ordered approximately 70 plants from Behnkes. It is expected that the plants will be delivered on the day of the first concert and used to line the stage. Some participants expressed a concern that purchasers might not want their plants used for that purpose, and that it might be necessary to ask purchasers if their plants could be so used.

Banquet:

Jane Neumaier noted that the banquet will be on November 17, catered by Kloby's Barbeque.

Documentation of Events and Fundraisers:

Ms. Kelly reported that she has been preparing a to-do list for chairing music department/music booster functions. She hopes to eventually have to-do lists for all of our functions posted on the web.

New Business:

Ed Horvath reported on a new fundraiser called Carry Out Menu. This fundraiser involves a food delivery service that will deliver take-out meals from local restaurants. Each student will have an individual promotion code that persons who order food to be delivered by Carry Out Menu will use when ordering food. Individual students will be credited with 10% of the cost of the food order, and when orders attributed to Reservoir exceeds \$1,000.00 percentage will increase to 15%. Mr. Dice will assist Mr. Horvath, as needed.

Mr. Dice noted a need to assign students to directors for fundraising.

Ms. Kelly mentioned that the Boosters should consider a Parents' Night Out. Since this year there will not be an art auction, she wondered if there could be some other event to allow parents to meet and mingle. Ms. Kelly noted that one parent, Audrey Meehan, had gone to a wine tasting suggested that this might make for an appropriate Parents' Night Out event.

Ms. Sauer discussed the Dinner Raffle fundraiser. She explained that this was a raffle that includes as prizes dinners at various local restaurants.

Ms. Kelly reported that the status of the gate near the football field is unchanged. Mr. Strother is checking on the gate.

Ms. Kelly reported that color guard and indoor drumline was not funded through the Music Boosters. The total cost is over \$8,000.00, and the groups need to be self-supporting. It is expected that color guard and the indoor drumline will go to the same shows, and that they received approval to host a show in February 2011.

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Mr. Dice noted that the whole note/half note deadline is December 3, 2010. The whole note/half note raised \$2000.00 last year.

Mr. Dice also noted that Marla Singer sent an E-mail about the “Howie” award. The “Howie” award recognizes businesses that support the arts, and he nominated “Outer Office” for this. “Outer Office” is a private printing business in Fulton that has been a longtime printer of music department documents such as programs and play bills. Some in the audience noted that the RHS Front Office is not a business, and that perhaps Lucero’s Pizza should be nominated for its support of the Music Program.

There was a suggestion that Pizza Thursday be done through Lucero’s Pizza.

There was a suggestion that all students receive a special Music Program identification number. This suggestion was rejected by acclaim from the audience.

Ms. Kelly noted that the next meeting will take place after the Winter Concert. [As of the date these minutes were prepared the meeting is scheduled for Dec 7 at 7pm.]

Ms. Kelly adjourned the meeting at 8:11pm upon a motion that was seconded and approved by all still in attendance.